Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA)

ORCA's Grants & Funding Clearinghouse provides rural communities, grant seekers, and grant writers with:

- Current funding opportunities;
- Tools for grant writers; and
- Resources for nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and community-based organizations.

http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Home/Grants+Clearinghouse

Colonia Construction Fund (CFC) and Non-Border Colonia (NBC) Fund

Funding to support community development projects such as sewer, water, and housing rehabilitation to county applicants for projects in unincorporated "eligible non-border colonia" areas.

Geographic Coverage: Texas Application Deadline: Dec 1, 2007

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Colonia Economically Distressed Areas Program

This fund provides assistance to colonia areas to connect to a Texas Water Development Board Economically Distressed Areas Program (TWDB EDAP) funded water and sewer system improvement project.

Geographic Coverage: Texas-Mexico border region.

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Board of Trustee Continuing Education

To support continuing education and training for Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Board of Trustees to assist them in the governance of a CAH

Geographic Coverage: Texas

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Disaster Relief & Urgent Need Fund

Funding for disaster relief and urgent needs assistance.

Geographic Coverage: Texas

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Outstanding Rural Scholar Recognition Program (ORSRP)

Program that assists rural communities in growing their own health care professionals by matching community funds with state funds to support a student of the community's choice in a health professional education program.

Geographic Coverage: Texas

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Texas Small Towns Environment Program (STEP) Fund

Grants to provide guidance, assistance, and support to community leaders and residents willing to use self-help to solve their water and sewer problems.

Geographic Coverage: Texas

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs

Other Resources:

Summaries of non-federal funding programs are provided by Congressman Lampson for your convenience. Please contact the funder directly for the most complete and current information.

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Sustainable Community Innovation Grants Program

Funds projects that projects that work to strengthen both agriculture and Southern communities by building explicit linkages between sustainable agriculture and rural community development.

Geographic Coverage: Eligible states are AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Application Deadline: Oct 1, 2007

Sponsor: Southern Rural Development Center

First Children's Finance Loan Fund

Loans to child care and early education businesses, especially those serving lower-income communities.

Geographic Coverage: Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas,

Missouri, or Texas

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: First Children's Finance

Gulf Coast Ecological Health & Community Renewal Fund

Supports community, state and regional efforts that engage, empower and benefit displaced and returning residents throughout the Gulf Coast.

Geographic Coverage: Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas

Application Deadline: Nov 1, 2007

Kerr Foundation Grants

Provides grants in the areas of education, health, cultural development, and community service.

Geographic Coverage: Arkansas, Missouri, Colorado, New Mexico, **Texas**, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Application Deadline: Jan 18, 2008

Komen Foundation Rebuilding Grants

Funds to assist not-for-profit institutions and providers of breast cancer care impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

Geographic Coverage: Areas directly affected by Hurricane Katrina. Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation